## APPROVED Commission on Aging Minutes March 10, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT; Will Bigl (2015), April Holinko (2014), Bettejane Karnes (2015), Steve Kegler, Bev Korba (2014), Laurie McMorrow (2014), Don Nolan (2014), Joan Terry (2014)

ABSENT: Same Gordon (2014)

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES: Estelle Elliot (Sr. Ctr. Assn. and Wright's Way),

Emile Porier (Jensen's), Martina Wharton (Juniper Hill)

STAFF: Cindy Dainton (Sr. Ctr. Coordinator), Pat Schneider (Director of Human

Services)

<u>Minutes</u> – Bettejane Karnes made a motion, seconded by Bev Korba, that the February minutes be accepted as written. Motion passed.

## **Correspondence** – None

<u>Human Services Director</u> – Pat distributed copies of the departmental quarterly report for Oct. to Dec. 2013. Regarding staffing, the interviews for outreach social worker will take place very soon and the program coordinator position will be posted with a few weeks.

The transportation grant in is good shape due to in-house management. Pat has submitted the budget for 2014-15 and has asked that needs at the senior center be included in capital repairs, i.e. repair of the retaining wall and the siding on the building.

<u>Senior Center Coordinator</u> – Cindy handed out copies of the Senior Happenings and program previews.

<u>Senior Center Association</u> – Estelle is still working on updating the membership list. She has found several high school students who will help get a cookbook ready to be printed. This year's annual association meeting will be held in the evening.

<u>Community News</u> – Martina said that Juniper Hill residents are using the AARP volunteers for tax assistance. Also, residents from Juniper Hill are going to attend a St. Patrick's Day concert at the senior center in mid March. Emile shared the new Disaster Preparedness Plan that a group at Jensen's

has prepared. He also spoke about a course to be offered at the Community Center regarding emergency preparedness.

<u>Funding Requests</u> – The committee members reviewed the requests for funding from Community Companion and Homemaking Services, TVCCA, and WRTD. All requests were considered worthy and the group voted to support each of the agencies at the amount requested.

<u>Legislative Strategies</u> – Will asked that commission members review the legislative strategies of the Connecticut Commission on Aging to see if there are items that should receive our support.

Laurie told us that she has been asked to be a member of the interview panel for the outreach social worker.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Joan Terry, secretary

Next Meeting – April 14